

PHILIPS

Avalon Fetal Monitor

Quick Guide

Avalon FM20 / FM30 Rev. D.0 onwards

Watch the Training DVD!

Confirm fetal life by independent means before you start fetal monitoring. Continue to confirm that the fetus is the signal source for the fetal heart rate (FHR) during monitoring.

Touchscreen Operation with Menus

You control **all** monitor functions (except switching on) by touching elements directly on the touchscreen display.

Main Screen – closes all open menus/windows and returns to main screen.

Main Setup – gives access to all functions via the Main Setup menu.

SmartKeys

SmartKeys at the bottom of the screen

provide fast access to functions such as starting/stopping the recorder, or resetting the Toco baseline. Use the scrolling key  to access more SmartKeys.

Getting Started

1 After switching the monitor on, the green power-on LED lights and the monitor display comes on.

2 Connect sensors or transducers as shown. Push connectors **firmly** all the way into sockets.

3 Apply transducers to the patient.

4 Measurements appear on the display automatically.

Signal Quality Indicators for FHR



Good/full



Acceptable/medium



Poor/no signal

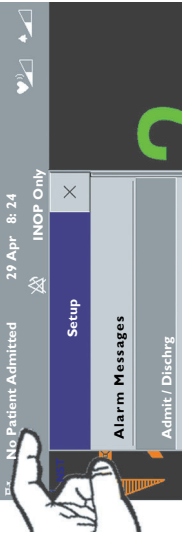
Check signal quality indicators are full during monitoring, and reposition transducers as necessary.

Admitting a Patient

If you are using an OB TraceVue obstetrical information and surveillance system, you should admit/discharge your patient on that system. Otherwise admit her via the **Patient Demographics** window on the monitor.

To access the **Patient Demographics** window:

- 1 Touch the gray information line at the top of the screen then select **Admit/Dischrg** from the menu that opens:



- 2 Touch the **Admit Patient** pop-up key.

- 3 Enter Last Name, using the on-screen keyboard, and press enter.

- 4 Repeat for First Name and MRN, then select **Confirm**.

Discharging a Patient

After you have finished monitoring a patient, discharge her from the monitor. With the **Patient Demographics** window open:

- 1 Touch the **Discharge Patient** pop-up key.

- 2 Select **Confirm** to discharge the patient.

Loading Paper

- 1 If the recorder is on, stop it (see “Starting/Stopping the Recorder” below).

- 2 Press the paper drawer release and pull the drawer forwards until it stops.

- 3 With the bottom side of the paper pack down (“STOP” appears on the final page), unfold the top page of the pack, and position the uterine activity scale on the right.

- 4 Slide the pack into the tray.

- 5 Push the paper drawer back until it “clicks” closed.

Starting/Stopping the Recorder

Either Touch the **Start/Stop** SmartKey 

- Or
- 1 Touch the **recorder status icon**. The Fetal Recorder menu opens.

- 2 Select **Start/Stop**.

Recorder Status Icon

The four possible states of the **recorder status icon** (just above the Main Screen key) are:



Recorder On



Recorder Off



User-solvable problem (paper out, wrong paper scale set)




Recorder defective (call service)

Touch the icon to enter the Fetal Recorder Menu.

Safeguarding Traces when the Paper Runs Out

If the paper has run out, and you load new paper, all the trace data for the period when the paper was out is not lost, but is stored in memory and printed out at high speed automatically as soon as the recorder restarts. (This default behavior can be disabled by setting **Bridge Paperout** to Off in Config Mode.)



Marking an Event on the Trace Paper

- Either select the **Set Marker** SmartKey 
- Or press the button on the remote event marker.


Entering Notes

- 1 Press the **Enter Notes** SmartKey . **Enter Note** menu opens.
- 2 Pick a note (scroll if needed).
- 3 Select **Confirm** from the pop-up dialog box. The note appears in the display status line, and on the trace if the fetal recorder is on.



Tearing Off the Paper

- 1 Touch  to stop the recorder.
- 2 Select the Paper Advance SmartKey  to advance paper to the next perforation. **Never** pull paper by hand.
- 3 Tear off paper along the perforation.

Changing the Fetal Heart Sound Volume

- 1 Touch the  symbol.
- 2 Pick the required volume from the pop-up volume scale.

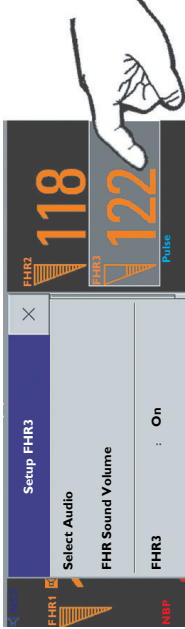
Selecting Fetal Heart Sound

You can listen to the fetal heart sound from one ultrasound transducer at a time. You see the audio source symbol  next to the FHR numeric label for the channel you are listening to: **FHR2** 

- 1 Enter the **Setup FHR** menu for the channel you want to hear.
- 2 Press **Select Audio**. It may take a few seconds for the audio source symbol to appear.

Identifying Transducers

Touch a FHR numeric on the screen...



...and the bright, blue **Finder LED** lights up on the corresponding transducer monitoring that channel.



Cross-Channel Verification (CCV)

CCV indicates when monitored heart rates (fetal or maternal) coincide, by displaying the symbol  on the screen, and  on the trace recording.



Check the trace and reposition one of the transducers if necessary using sound.

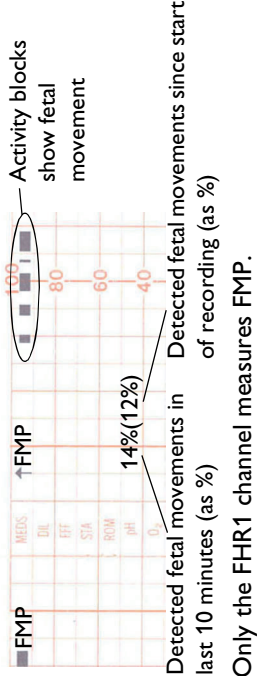
Separating Traces

To help you interpret traces with similar baselines:

- 1 Touch the recorder status icon.
- 2 Scroll down open menu and select **Trace Separation** to toggle between **On** or **Off**.

FHR2 trace is offset by  bpm; FHR3 trace is offset by  bpm. The display shows the real heart rate values.

Fetal Movement Profile (FMP)



Touch the **Toco Baseline** SmartKey to reset the Toco baseline to 20 on the display and trace.

Changing the Toco Sensitivity

If the Toco trace exceeds the paper scale, you can reduce the Toco sensitivity to 50% so that the trace stays within the scale (default = 100%):

- 1 Touch the **Toco** numeric to enter the **Setup Toco** menu.
- 2 Touch **Toco Gain** to toggle between **100%** and **50%**.

Zero IUP (FM30 only)

- 1 Enter the **Setup IUP** menu.
- 2 Touch **Zero IUP** (resets display and trace to 0). While zeroing, the transducer should be level with the maternal xiphoid (lower end of the sternum).

Selecting the IUP Scale (FM30 only)

You can select between mmHg (default) and kPa for the IUP scale:

- 1 Enter the **Setup IUP** menu.
- 2 Touch **IUP Scale** to toggle between **mmHg** and **kPa**.

Non-Stress Test Timer

To set the NST Timer run time:

- 1 Touch the gray information line at the top of the screen then select **NST Timer** from the menu.
- 2 Select **Run Time** and pick desired time from the pop-up list.

Changing the Alarm Volume



This **alarm volume indicator** at the top right of the monitor screen gives you an indication of the current alarm volume, for any fetal or maternal alarm, or INOP that is currently configured on. To change the volume:

- 1 Touch **alarm volume indicator**.
- 2 Pick the required volume from the pop-up volume scale.

Changing Alarm Limits (Alarm Mode 'All')

For the measurement for which you want to change the alarm limit:

- 1 Touch the numeric to open the Setup Menu.
- 2 Touch the limit you want to change, and pick a new limit from the pop-up list.

Responding to Alarms

There are three potential levels of alarms that the monitor will respond to as outlined below:

Technical (INOP) Alarms: message in blue INOP field, INOP tone.

Examples: **FHR1 UNPLUGGED** **PAPER END**
Yellow Alarms: message in yellow alarms field, medium priority audible alarm signal.

Examples: ****FHR1 94 110** ****HR HIGH**

Red Alarms: red alarm messages on screen, high priority audible alarm signal.

Examples: *****EXTREME TACHY** *****BRADY 30 < 50**



Touch the **Silence** key to acknowledge all active alarms by switching off audible alarm indicators.

Select the **Pause Alarms** key if you want to temporarily prevent alarms from sounding (pause duration is configurable to 1, 2 or 3 minutes, or infinite).

If the pause duration is configured to infinite, this key is labeled **Alarms Off**.

The audible alarm indicators configured for your monitor depend on which alarm standard applies in your hospital.

Noninvasive Blood Pressure (NBP): Starting and Stopping Measurements

You can start and stop NBP measurements via two routes:

- Either touch the **NBP** numeric **120/80** to enter the **Setup NBP** menu, then pick the appropriate setting
- Or touch the appropriate SmartKey

| Action | Setup Menu | SmartKey |
|---|-------------------|----------|
| Start/stop manual measurement | | |
| Start auto series | | |
| Stop current auto measurement within series | Start/Stop | |
| Stop auto/manual AND series measurements | Stop All | |

NBP: Enabling Automatic Mode and Setting

Repetition Time

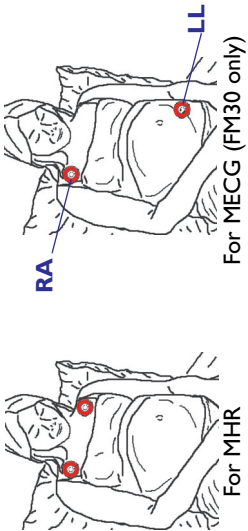
In the **Setup NBP** menu:

- 1 Select **Auto/Man** (toggle as necessary)
- 2 Select **Repetition Time** to set the interval between automatic NBP measurements.

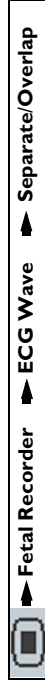
Priority for Maternal Heart Rate (MHR) / Pulse Rate

| When monitoring... | ...source of HR/Pulse is: |
|---|---|
| MHR via MECG and SpO ₂ | MHR via MECG |
| SpO ₂ , but not MHR via MECG | Pulse from SpO ₂ |
| Neither MHR via MECG nor SpO ₂ | Averaged pulse from NBP (no alarms available) |

MHR / MECG: Applying Electrodes

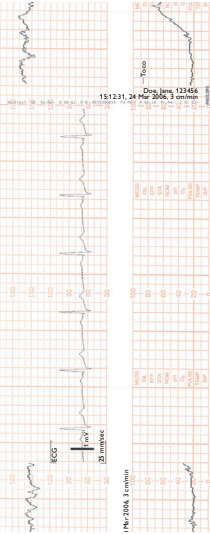


MECG: Printing the Waveform (FM30 only)



You have two choices to record the MEGC waveform onto the trace paper:

Separate: records a six-second MEGC strip in fast printout mode. This is in real-time, so temporarily interrupts fetal trace recording while MEGC strip prints.



Overlap: records a delayed six-second MEGC snapshot for documentation on the fetal trace, without interrupting the fetal trace.



Changing from US to DECG Monitoring (FM30 only)

Disconnect the US transducer first, then connect DECG accessories, following instructions accompanying each accessory.

Turning Artifact Suppression On/Off (FM30 only)

Artifact Suppression is the new term for Arrhythmia Logic.

- 1 Touch the DFHR numeric to enter the DFHR menu.
- 2 Select **ArtifactSupress** to toggle between:
 - **On** (artifacts are suppressed)
 - **Off** (no artifact suppression, use this setting if you suspect fetal arrhythmia)

Obtaining Further Information

Full operating and safety information is contained in your monitor's Instructions for Use (IfU). Familiarize yourself with the IfU content before beginning to monitor patients. This Quick Guide is in addition to, and does not replace, the IfU.

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